

BANK of ENGLAND,

FEBRUARY 27th, 1797,

In Consequence of an Order of His Majesty's Privy Council notified to the BANK last Night,

The Governor, Deputy Governor, and Directors of the BANK OF ENGLAND, think it their Duty to inform the Proprietors of BANK STOCK, as well as the PUBLIC at large, that the general Concerns of the BANK are in the most affluent and prosperous Situation, and such as to preclude every Doubt as to the Security of its NOTES.

THE DIRECTORS mean to continue their usual DISCOUNTS for the Accommodation of the Commercial Interest, paying the Amount in Bank Notes, and Dividend Warrants will be paid in the same Manner,

FRANCIS MARTIN, *Secretary.*

Mansion-House, LONDON,

27th FEBRUARY, 1797,

At a very numerous and most respectable MEETING of the Merchants, Captains of Merchants Ships, Bankers, Manufacturers, Wholesale Traders, Warehousemen, Factors, Shopkeepers, Tradesmen, Brokers and Agents of the CITY of LONDON, held here this Day, to consider of the Steps which it may be proper to take to prevent Embarrassments to Public Credit, from the Effect of any ill-founded or exaggerated Alarms, and to support it with the utmost Exertions at the present important Conjunction.

The Right Honouorable BROOK WATSON, Esq.

LORD MAYOR in the Chair.

Resolved unanimously,

WE the Merchants, Captains of Merchants Ships, Bankers, Manufacturers, Wholesale Traders, Warehousemen, Factors, Shopkeepers, Tradesmen, Brokers and Agents of The CITY of LONDON, being highly sensible how necessary the Preservation of the Public Credit is at this Time, do most readily hereby declare, that We will not refuse to receive Bank Notes in Payment of any Sum of Money to be paid to Us; and We will Use our utmost Endeavours to make all our Payments in the same Manner.

Signed by Order and on Behalf of the Meeting.

BROOK WATSON, *Esq.*

LORD MAYOR.